

REMARKS

Favorable consideration of this application and entry of the foregoing amendments are respectfully requested.

In response to the Examiner's requirement for restriction, Applicants elect, with traverse, the claims of Group I for prosecution in this application. The Examiner is urged to reconsider the requirement, at least as between the subject matter of Group I and that of Group III. It is submitted that a complete search of the subject matter of Group I would include the subject matter of Group III and thus no undue burden would be placed on the Examiner if the claims of at least these two Groups were to be considered in the same application.

As regards claims 9-14 and 19, those claims will be revised by Supplemental Amendment and the Examiner will be urged to consider the revised claims with the claims of Group I. Again, no undue burden would be placed on the Examiner from the standpoint of searching, given the relatedness of the subject matter.

The specification has been amended to include the Sequence Listing submitted herewith on separate sheets. Entry of the Sequence Listing does not raise the issue of new matter as the sequence information contained therein is presented in the application as originally filed. The computer readable copy of

the Sequence Listing submitted herewith is the same as the attached paper copy of that Listing.

An early and favorable Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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